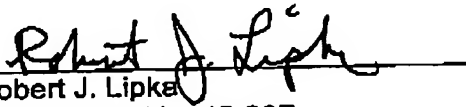


patents and co-pending application. Also submitted is the fee required for the terminal disclaimer. Accordingly, it respectfully is submitted that the rejection of the claims for all of the foregoing reasons should be withdrawn.

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